

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. No fee is believed to be due. In the event that a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fee for this extension of time or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Status of the Claims and Formal Matters

Claims 1, 10, 85-105 are currently pending in this application. Claims and have been amended without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to pursue the full scope of the claims.

No new matter has been added with these amendments. Support can be found throughout the specification and from the pending claims.

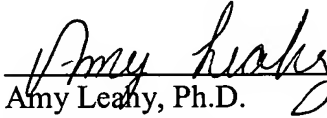
Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1, 10, 85-105 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Use of the claim term "CaR receptor" was alleged to be indefinite, and stated to be correctable by spelling out the full name of the receptor, which is calcium-sensing receptor (see page 2, paragraph 3, of the specification). The pending claims, as amended, now recite the full name of the receptor, (i.e., calcium-sensing receptor). Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections to the claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the remarks and amendments herewith, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application is therefore earnestly solicited. The undersigned looks forward to hearing favorably from the Examiner at an early date.

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